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Art Unit : 2874
Examiner: Mr. Akm E. Ullah

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

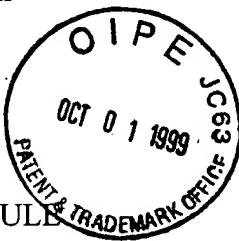
Applicants : Shin ISHIBASHI et al

Appln. No. : 09/087,857

Filed : June 1, 1998

For : FIBER OPTIC MODULE

Atty. Dkt. : 31238-129762 (Formerly ASAMU 0323E)



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Sir:

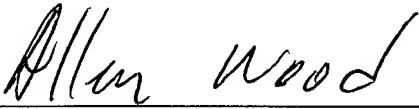
This is responsive to the Office Action of July 1, 1999, the period for reply to which has been set to expire on October 1, 1999.

The Office Action rejects the claims as being based on a defective reissue declaration. To remedy the defects, a paper entitled "Supplemental Declaration And Power Of Attorney," executed by the inventors, is attached hereto. It is therefore respectfully submitted that the rejection has been overcome.

It is noted that an Information Disclosure Statement will be filed shortly to formally make the prior art that was considered during prosecution of the parent application a matter of record in this reissue application.

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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